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# PORTUGUESE VESSEL'S ESCAPE FROM HAINAN

## Reminders

### Today

Fifth Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley, 2 p.m.  
Nine Dragons Services Club, Tombola, 8 p.m.  
Wah Yau College, one-act plays at College Theatre, Robinson Road, 8.30 p.m.  
St. Stephen's Girls' College, Charity Bazaar, 10 a.m. opening by Mrs. Kwok Chan.  
Miss Averil Tong presents "An Evening in Cathay", Rosary Church Club, 8.30 p.m.  
Cheong Services Club, Tombola, 7.30 p.m.

### Coming events

**TOMORROW**  
The II classical concert, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.  
Nine Dragons Services Club, Tombola, 8 p.m.  
European YMCA Armchair Group meeting, talk on "The World Food Problem, and China" by Mr. Robert Hart, 8.45 p.m.  
Art Club, sketching party to Shatin, members to meet at the Kowloon Star Ferry 10.30 a.m.

## CHARITY BALL AT SKY ROOM

The dinner dance at the Sky Room Ballroom at Luna Park last night in aid of the Society for the Protection of Children was attended by more than 500 people.

Music was provided by the Sky Room Orchestra, and Miss Cheng Lu, the Luna Park entertainer, sang many songs which elicited much applause. She did particularly well in her Chinese numbers.

A special attraction of the evening was the ballet number by Miss Asia Merculova, well-known ballerina from Shanghai. She evoked cheers for the grace and beauty of her choreography. The ball was held to raise money for the SPC, which requires more than \$8,000 a month to carry on.

The Society is devoted to caring for indigent children of poor families.

## GOLD SEIZURE

A large quantity of gold in bars and coins—325 taels valued at HK\$65,075—was confiscated by Mr. Hui-shing Lo at Central yesterday, as there were no claimants.

Revenue Inspector L. Millington who made the successful application for confiscation said that on information received on April 20, a party of Revenue officers boarded the ss. Hoihow which was anchored in the harbour. The vessel was searched and in one of the holds hidden among the cargo the gold was found.

## GOLD IN PLANE

About 40 taels of gold, valued at about \$12,000, were discovered in the shoes of an occupant of a CAT plane from Taipei yesterday.

## FRESH FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices (collected at the Hoihow Road Fish Wholesale Market, Kennedy Town, yesterday were—)

First quality	Average price	Second quality	Average price
Mud Grouper	\$1.65	\$1.00	
Glass Fish	1.50	1.00	
Squid	1.50	1.00	
White Pomfrit (large)	2.00	1.50	
Macao Sole (large)	1.50	1.00	
(small)	.95	.60	
Golden Thread	1.40	1.00	
Head Grunt	1.10	.85	
Stone Head (small)	1.20	.90	
Orange Pike	1.35	1.00	
Red Sea Bream (large)	1.20	1.00	
White Steering (small)	1.10	.85	
Flat Tail	.80	.60	

**DANTEEN**  
ROCHE  
HAMAM  
HAIR TONIC  
PERSISTENT

The Communist invasion of Hainan Island freed the 696-ton Portuguese vessel, the ss. San Manuel, from her 99-day imprisonment by the Nationalists in Hoihow Harbour. Under cover of the Communist shelling from the Liuchow Peninsula, the San Manuel, with release papers handed to the skipper, weighed anchor and made a dash as swarms of KMT barges loaded with soldiers in retreat, attempted to stop and commandeer the freighter.

The San Manuel sailed through Hainan Strait on April 22, reaching Macao two days later where she discharged her long delayed cargo of 500 tons of cement. The Portuguese vessel arrived in Hoihow on Thursday for a full journey to Kowloon. The skipper and crew, interviewed by the "China Mail" described their detention in Hoihow as being without incident save for the boarding of the freighter on January 13 by an armed party of the KMT Navy in Hoihow. They were allowed freedom of movement from ship to shore, and money and provisions were easily obtained, the skipper said.

The cause of the detention of the San Manuel was attributed by the skipper as reprisal for the Portuguese detention of several Nationalist gunboats in Macao. The skipper said that he was on his way from Hoihow to Hong Kong on January 13 with a cargo of cement when, arriving at a point in Hainan Strait, he decided to drop anchor as it was unsafe to negotiate the difficult passage in the dwindling light. The San Manuel was at this time eight miles from Kaitak Point and 11 miles from Lingkow in Hainan. At 11 p.m. on the same day, a Nationalist warship, the Tai-cheng, approached and an armed party boarded the Portuguese freighter.

### At Hoihow

"At first, they claimed that we had infringed their territorial waters. But when they were shown the exact position of the vessel, the KMT naval officer told the skipper that his orders were to detain the San Manuel for the seizure of the Nationalist gunboats by the Portuguese in Macao," one of the San Manuel crew told the "China Mail".

The skipper of the Portuguese freighter, Captain C. X. Miguel, was then ordered to sail in to Hoihow Harbour where the vessel was detained throughout the 99 days.

"On April 22," Captain Miguel said, "I noticed that the harbour was busy with the Nationalist Navy preparing for withdrawal." For by then, Hoihow was being completely encircled by the invading Communists who had linked up with the guerrilla forces operating on the island. "The ship's cook, returning from shore, told us that the KMT troops were fleeing from the city," he decided then to contact the Nationalists to negotiate our release," Captain Miguel said.

"This time every thing was successful. The Nationalist naval officer, handed the skipper clearance papers whereupon Captain Miguel decided to leave immediately."

"As we weighed anchor, boatloads of retreating KMT troops were approaching us," one of the crew said. "The skipper ordered full speed ahead to clear before we could be stopped again which would have meant that the San Manuel might have been ordered to help with the evacuation of Taiwan."

### Landing failure

During its detention in Hoihow, the crew witnessed occasional landings made by the Communists on Hainan. One of them recalled a particularly "disastrous" day for the Reds when a party of an estimated 700 troops was trapped on a sandbank where the Nationalists completely wiped out the lot by bombardment from the ships.

"This success was believed to have been the 'overwhelming success' reported by the Nationalists prior to Hoihow's fall." It seemed as if we got out on time," the first officer said, "for as we were about five miles out, heavy artillery bombardment on Hoihow was made and we saw at least two huge fires started in the city."

The San Manuel carries a crew of 21. The vessel is expected to leave Hong Kong in three or four days' time. The crew believed that the reason why the Nationalists finally allowed the ship to be released was the fear that the Communists might seize and use the vessel against them.

**OFFICIAL NOTICES  
APPOINTMENTS**  
Mr. A. G. Clarke, Acting Financial Secretary in addition to his duties as Director of Supplies and Distribution effective from April 21.  
Mr. J. E. Peacock, Sanitation Officer, Royal Observatory, effective from April 18.  
Mr. J. J. Maudie, a member of the Port Executive Committee, effective from April 20.  
Dr. Hui Lok-yip, entitled to practice medicine and surgery in Hong Kong.

## New ship for the Macao run

Owners of the new de-luxe river steamer Tak Shing entered local shipping circles yesterday to celebrate the debut of their vessel on the Hong Kong-Macao run.

Recently re-conditioned at the Cheong Cheong and Ngai-tan, the former dredged steamer Isal On looked resplendent, with multi-coloured bunting decorating her superstructure as she berthed alongside the Tai Hing Wharf.

The first three trips of the Tak Shing will be specially made for "Charity Funds"—fines collected on these trips will be sent to several charitable organizations in the Colony. The Tak Shing, equipped with modern amenities and navigational aids, will leave for the Portuguese colony at 8.30 a.m., return by noon and depart again on the following morning. Her master is the well known Irish veteran skipper, Mr. W. F. O'Farrell. The vessel is owned by the Tai Yip Company of Hong Kong.

## HAPPY VALLEY RACES OVER REDIFFUSION

Rediffusion will have their special sports commentators on hand today at the Race Course to present a running commentary of the first five Races and the results of the remaining races.

Of special interest will be the running of the St. George's Plate, which is a handicap race for Australian Ponies of 1950 and is a one-mile event. There is also the Victoria Peak Handicap for Australian Ponies of 1950 classified Class Two. There will be a running commentary on these two events.

Complete results of the races will be broadcast in English at 3.30 p.m. and in Chinese at 7 p.m. today.

## MORTGAGE STORY DENIED

The Chief Manager of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Sir Arthur Morse, told the "China Mail" yesterday that there is no truth whatever in the report carried by one of the local Chinese newspapers on Thursday about the refusal of mortgages of leasehold property North of Boundary Street in Kowloon.

The article in the "China Mail" yesterday which referred to the report in the Chinese newspapers, stated that some mortgages were accepted and others refused, but that in no case did such refusals have any political significance.

## MYSTERY MEN IN CAT PLANE

Thirty Chinese passengers, clad only in their underclothes, were passengers in a CAT aircraft which landed at Kai Tak for refuelling yesterday.

The plane, bearing the Nationalist emblem, arrived from Nhas-trang, near Saigon, and took off for Taiwan later.

The men were reported to be Nationalist soldiers who escaped from Hainan to Indo-China.

## PRISON FIGHT

At least two wardens of the Victoria Remand Prison agree to the fact that women are the cause of trouble after being bound over in a sum of \$50 for six months by Mr. J. Reynolds at Central yesterday.

The men, Joseph Yim Assis, aged 28 and Felipe Warren Johnson, aged 24, were arrested on the evening of April 21 for fighting in the dormitory of the single men's quarters in Arbutnot Road. The prosecuting officer said that he had been told by the officer in charge of the warders, Mr. Stewart, that recently there had been "numerous" quarrels among the warders over women and the fight resulted from one of them.



Miss Giovanna Cheng, who will give a piano recital of her own compositions at the Hong Kong Road Garden to-night at 9. Miss Cheng has a wide reputation in China and comes from Shanghai, where she studied under Professor Larzereff.

## Governor's visit to schools

The Governor, accompanied by the Director of Education, the Senior Inspector of Schools, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, and Inspector of Vernacular Schools, Mr. K. H. Yuen, visited four Government schools in the Eastern District on Thursday.

The Governor first made a tour of inspection of the Hennessy Road Government School which was erected in 12 weeks at a cost of \$400,000 and provides education for 900 children in two sessions. Many of the children attending the school were previously being educated in unsatisfactory one-room schools held in Union premises. The headmaster, Mr. W. Hing-tak conducted the Governor round the school.

The Governor then visited the Technical College, Wood Road, where he was met by the Principal, Mr. G. White. He inspected the work being done in the building, engineering, automobile engineering, radio and wireless telegraphy departments, and talked to the staff.

He next visited the Junior Technical School which will, in September, be housed in the new school building built at Gap Road, and also the Government Vernacular Primary School, (Headmaster: Mr. Tang Shu-shum) where the work of the students was inspected and several of them read passages in English and Chinese.

Next Thursday the Governor will visit Royden House, a Dalton Plan private school under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, and at 10 a.m. the Sacred Heart School, Cain Road, Headmistress Mother Angelica.

## SALVATION ARMY FLOWER DAY

The Salvation Army's Flower Day will be held today for funds to meet its 1950 Budget. Each flower sold will mean a little more done to mitigate suffering, relieve distress, bring brightness into the lives of the poor and hope for those now in despair.

There is the school at Wanchai to be maintained. The Shelter for women must have new beds installed and the women must receive a bowl of congee nightly. There are the many cases who need financial assistance, clothing, guidance, advice, etc.

Not a day passes without someone being helped in some way or other. It is impossible to meet all the demands made, but the Salvation Army is pledged to give of its best through its officers and workers who give full time unstintingly and who will turn no one away—if it is at all possible to help.

The target is \$100,000. Already a public response has been good but \$40,000 is still needed. It is sincerely hoped that through the sale of flowers today this amount will be secured.

Gifts may also be sent direct to The Salvation Army Headquarters, 4th Floor, Union Building.

## PARTY AT KITC

The entire local Sindh community will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wadhwanji Dikram at the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club tomorrow at 2 p.m.

The couple have also invited their friends and well-wishers to the function which is to celebrate the birth of the couple's grandson, Ramchand, on Monday.

During the afternoon, there will be a programme of sports. Light refreshments will be served and prizes and toys will be distributed to the children.

## TO BE WED

The forthcoming wedding has been announced of John Bernard Patrick Byrne, accountant, of 10 Stanley Beach Road, Stanley, and Miss Christine Kirby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kirby, of 10 Stanley Beach Road, Stanley. The wedding will be held at the St. Paul's Church, Kowloon, on Monday, May 1st, at 12.30 p.m. It will be officiated by Rev. Fr. J. J. Maudie.

# Macao Electric's new share issue

An increase of \$2,000,000 in paid-up capital by the issue of new shares, to pay for installation of new generating plant and equipment costing more than \$4,000,000, was approved at an extraordinary meeting of the Macao Electric Lighting Company Limited yesterday. The meeting was held in the board room of Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, immediately after the annual general meeting of the Company, at which the Chairman, Mr. F. J. Gallion, who is also Managing Director, said the Company had had a very successful year despite increasing costs of operation.

Mr. Gallion said: "Mr. Watson having read the Notice convening the Meeting, the Chairman then said:

"The balance from Working Accounts for the year under review amounts to \$881,150 which shows an increase of \$119,554 over the previous year, after charging the usual expenses and providing for annual depreciation and amortisation, the net profit carried to Appropriation Account amounts to \$732,226 which is an improvement of \$93,400 compared with the year ended November, 1948. I think you will agree that these figures are satisfactory, particularly when it is appreciated that in present times all our operating costs are increasing.

"The total amount at credit of Appropriation Account is \$777,940.93, and your Directors have dealt with this as follows—

In writing off the Loss arising on discharges of Guarantees for the payment of bank loans to Macao Waterworks Co., Ltd. \$345,410.60; in writing off the Investment in Shares of The Macao Waterworks Co., Ltd. \$1,000,000.00; in providing for payment of a dividend of \$2 per share on 150,000 shares, \$300,000.00; in providing for payment to the Government of Macao of 5 per cent of the amount distributed as dividend in terms of Clause 15 of the Extension Contract, \$15,000.00; To carry forward to the next account, \$777,940.93

These items have been incorporated in the accounts before you and it is hoped that the dividend payment will meet with your approval.

### War losses

"As some of you will no doubt be aware, the Macao Water Supply Company passed to new owners during the year and as a result of this change it has been necessary for your company to write off its previous investment in the Waterworks Company and to meet its obligation to the Bank under a guarantee for part of a loan made to the Waterworks Company and now irrecoverable.

"Turning to the Balance Sheet you will note that steps have been taken to put our house in order now that our claims in respect of rental and compensation for losses during the war period have been settled. Taking into account these amounts, the Share Premium Reserve and a Surplus arising from a revaluation of certain fixed assets, amounting in total to \$1,025,215.24, it has been possible to write off the balance of \$318,460.54 shown last year under the heading of Beller and Trusts—generating account and War-Losses Suspense Account and to carry forward a balance of \$506,754.80 as a Capital Reserve.

It will be seen from the Balance Sheet that the revaluation of fixed assets has involved a write up of \$539,056.16 and in this regard your Board are fully satisfied that these assets are still much below either their replacement or utility value to the company today.

The sale of \$250,000 for the year under review showed an increase of about 25 per cent over the previous year, due to the large number of new premises having been connected up to our service. "Regarding the Generating Plant, it is in general, in excellent shape and preparations are now starting for the installation of the new Diesel Set which is expected to arrive in the next few weeks and which should be ready to go into service in July.

"During the year, a large amount of our Low Tension Main have been put underground, and this work is being completed in sections.

Last year I mentioned the new street lighting scheme of the Town Council; this has brought about a very great improvement in the streets of Macao. It is anticipated that the remaining streets included in the scheme will be completed within the next six months.

"After the report and accounts for the year ended November 1948 had been carried, the meeting elected Mr. H. B. Bingham as Chairman, Mr. F. J. Gallion as Managing Director, and Mr. B. Bingham and Mr. J. B. Bingham as auditors for the ensuing year.

**Capital increase**  
At the extraordinary general meeting which followed, Mr. Gallion explained the necessity for the capital increase, said:

"In an undertaking such as Macao Electric Lighting Company on which the public depend for an accepted domestic daily necessity, it is imperative that your management should be prepared in advance for the possibility of meeting the needs of the community in the event of a sudden increase in demand.

"The company's existing fixed assets are conservatively stated in comparison with present day values and I believe this position to be due partly to the policy followed by the company in past years whereby actual physical wear and tear has been kept to a minimum through a careful regular maintenance and repair.

"In the company's Balance Sheet at November 30 1949, our Fixed Assets are shown at \$2,851,550, but when our current commitments for the purchase and installation of additional plant and underground cables have been met, this figure will be estimated, amount to \$7,131,550 subject, of course, to the normal write-off for depreciation. In the light of this enhanced figure alone it seems that an issued capital of \$1,500,000 is manifestly inadequate and out of proportion to our present day needs.

# THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS FIFTH RACE MEETING Saturday, 20th April, 1950

There are ten races, the first will be running at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. Through Tickets (10 Races) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the 1st race as well as the Special Cash Sweep for the "Kwangtung Handicap" scheduled to be run on 7th October, 1950. Cash Sweep tickets on the last race and those for the "Kwangtung Handicap" may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

**MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.**  
Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

**NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.**

Badges admitting Ladies, not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax, for Ladies or Gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of lifts will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

**NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.**

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.**  
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

**BOOKMAKERS, TIG TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.**

**MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.**

**SERVANTS' PASSES.**  
Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

By Order,  
S. A. SLEAP,  
Secretary.

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COMPANY, LIMITED

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that the Fifteenth Ordinary  
Yearly Meeting of the Share-  
holders in the Company will be  
held at the Company's Office,  
Windsor House, Mezzanine  
Floor, Hongkong, on Wednes-  
day, 7th June, 1950 at 11  
a.m. for the purpose of re-  
ceiving the Report of the Direc-  
tors together with the State-  
ment of Accounts for the year  
ended 31st December, 1949, to  
sanction the declaration of a  
Dividend, to elect Directors  
and to appoint Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the  
Company will be closed from  
Wednesday, 24th May to Wed-  
nesday, 7th June, 1950, both  
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
A. A. BREMNER,  
Secretary.

Hongkong 29th April, 1950.

THE DAIRY FARM,  
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COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Extraordinary General  
Meeting.

NOTICE IS hereby given  
that an Extraordinary Gen-  
eral Meeting of The Dairy  
Farm, Ice & Cold Storage  
Company, Limited, will be  
held at the Company's Office,  
Windsor House, Mezzanine  
Floor, Hongkong, on Wednes-  
day, 7th June, 1950, at 11.30  
a.m. (or as soon thereafter as  
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting  
to be held at 11 a.m. on that  
date shall have been conclud-  
ed) for the purpose of con-  
sidering, and if thought fit,  
passing the following Resolu-  
tions:

1. As a Special Resolution:—

"That the Articles of As-  
sociation of the Company  
be altered by substituting  
the following Article for  
Article No. 91 of the Com-  
pany's Articles of Asso-  
ciation:—

"91 The Directors shall  
be paid out of the funds  
of the Company remunera-  
tion for the rate of  
\$4,000 per annum for each  
Director other than the  
Chairman and the  
Chairman shall be paid  
out of the funds of the  
Company remuneration  
at the rate of \$5,000 per  
annum, together with  
such further sums (if  
any) as the Company in  
General Meeting may from  
time to time deter-  
mine, and such remunera-  
tion shall be deemed to  
accrue de die in diem."

## NATURALISATION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that  
WONG PING LAI, alias  
EVELYN WONG, alias YUK-  
SIM WONG of 1, Hankow  
Road, Kowloon, 3rd floor, is  
applying to the Governor for  
naturalisation, and that any  
person who knows any reason  
why naturalisation should not  
be granted should send a  
written signed statement of the  
facts to the Colonial Secretary,  
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## NOTICE

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Offices of the Under-  
signed on Wednesday the  
17th May, 1950, at Noon,  
for the purpose of receiving  
the Report of the Consulting  
Committee together with a  
Statement of Accounts for the  
year ended 31st December,  
1949, electing Members of the  
Consulting Committee and ap-  
pointing Auditors.

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the 17th May, 1950, both days  
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Hong Kong, April 26, 1950.

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quarantine anchorage, and re-  
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permitted to move by Im-  
migration Control Officers.

IMMIGRATION  
OFFICER.

April 26, 1950.

(Continued from Vol. 3)

paid Bonus Shares in terms  
of Resolution 2 above)  
to \$30,000,000, by the  
creation of 3,000,000 addi-  
tional shares of the nominal  
value of \$7.50 each and  
that the unissued shares of  
the Company's capital and  
such additional shares as  
aforesaid shall be issued  
at such time or times and  
open such terms and con-  
ditions as the Company's  
Board of Directors in their  
absolute discretion shall  
think fit."

NOTICE is also hereby given  
that if the Resolution 3. above  
is duly passed it is the inten-  
tion of the Directors to offer  
to members shown on the Re-  
gister of Members of the Com-  
pany at 24th May, 1950 (being  
the date it is proposed to close  
the Transfer Books of the Com-  
pany) prior to the 50th Ordina-  
ry Yearly Meeting to be held  
on Wednesday, 7th June, 1950)  
22,218 unissued shares of the  
Company of a nominal value  
of \$7.50 each together with an  
additional 468,678 shares of the  
nominal value of \$7.50 each  
created in accordance with the  
above Resolution, making a  
total of 488,892 shares, on the  
footing that the full nominal  
value of each share taken up  
shall be paid in full on accep-  
tance of the offer and in any  
case not later than 30th Sep-  
tember, 1950 and so that each  
member of the Company or his  
approved nominee shall be  
entitled to apply for and take  
up one new share for every  
issued share held by such  
member on the 24th May, 1950.  
The shares so offered shall  
rank for dividend as from the  
1st day of July, 1950.

The Directors will dispose of  
any shares offered to members  
in the event of non-acceptance  
by payment thereof by mem-  
bers or their approved nomi-  
nees on or before 30th Septem-  
ber, 1950, at such time or times  
and upon such terms and con-  
ditions as they may decide.

It is most important that any  
persons who have purchased  
shares in the Company, but are  
not on the Register in respect  
thereof should, if they wish to  
take advantage of the offer,  
present their transfers for re-  
gistration accompanied by the  
required share certificates  
before the 24th May, 1950.

The offer will be made by  
Notice sent by Post to each  
shareholder specifying the  
number of shares to which each  
shareholder is entitled, and such  
offer, if not accepted on behalf  
of such member or his nominee  
on or before the 30th Septem-  
ber, 1950 will be deemed to be  
declined.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
A. A. BREMNER,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 29th April, 1950.

## NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that  
the forty-first Ordinary  
General Meeting of the  
Company will be held at the  
Offices of Messrs Dodwell  
& Co., Ltd., 3rd floor, Hong-  
kong Bank Building, on Tues-  
day, the 9th May 1950, at 11  
a.m. for the purpose of receiv-  
ing the Report and Statement  
of Accounts for the year end-  
ed 31st December 1949.

Notice is also given that the  
Transfer Books of the Com-  
pany will be closed from the  
25th April to 8th May 1950,  
both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,  
General Managers.

Hong Kong, April 14, 1950.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The General Public is hereby  
notified that Mr. Tu Yuen-koi,  
known as Y. K. Tu, Sub-  
Manager of our firm has ten-  
dered his resignation to accept  
another offer; and that his re-  
signation has been duly ac-  
cepted. We further declare  
that all affairs handled by the  
said Mr. Tu on behalf of our  
Company during his tenure  
have been satisfactorily settled.

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## CONCENTRATE ON PLAY

IT IS A very bad idea to keep  
thinking about a bidding mistake  
while you are engaged in the play  
of a hand. Recall the bidding, to  
whatever extent it may be a  
guide, for reading the hidden  
hands, but don't waste part of  
your limited—and we mean that  
"limited" as to anybody in the  
world—mental power in vain re-  
grets. If you do, you are in dan-  
ger of perpetrating some kind of  
costly mistake.

S K 5  
H Q 8 6  
D J 10 9 7 5  
C A 9 3  
S Q 9 8 3  
H K 9 5  
D Q 2  
C Q 6 2

Dealer: North  
Pass: 1 S  
Pass: 3 S

West passed that because he  
felt he had nowhere near enough  
for another bid, so East was left  
with a gameless contract in a  
tournament where everybody else  
reached game on this deal, with  
the exception of one other pair  
which somehow got only to three  
by unreported bidding.

Throughout the early play, this  
East upbraid himself for not  
bidding 4-Spades with a hand on  
which his second call would have

been virtually forcing 3-Spades  
if West had made any minimum  
call except a spade raise. He dis-  
turbed his concentration on the  
play just enough to lose the tour-  
nament, in which most of the way  
he had good scores.

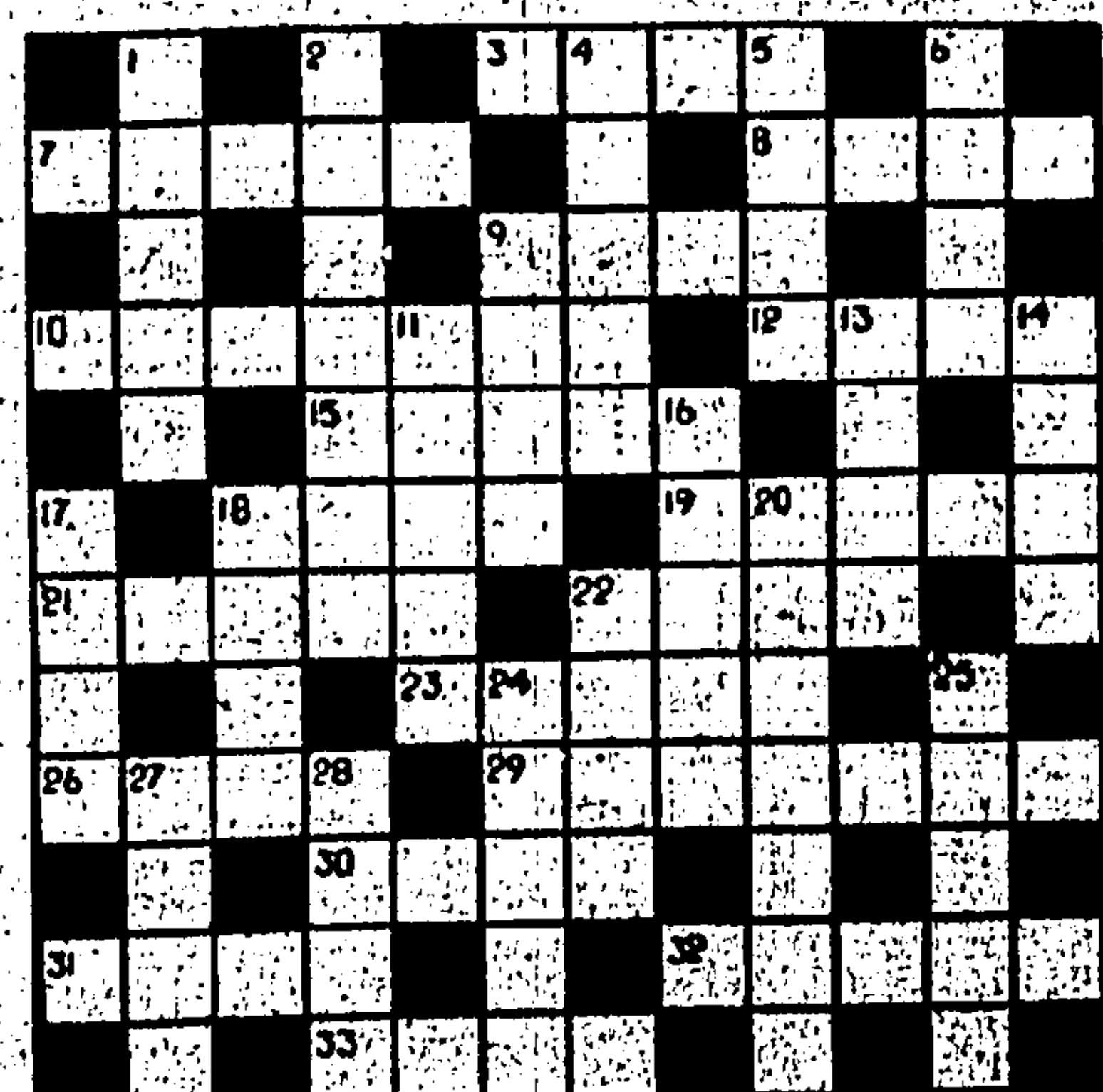
South led the heart 3, the Q  
forcing the A. Heading South he  
played the A, because North had  
played the Q. East next sent  
forth the 10, expecting it to be  
covered, whereupon he would  
come up with the K and then  
finesse trumps. But when South  
played the 4, he momentarily de-  
cided it would be fun to let the  
10 win, so he played the 5 from  
dummy. After doing that, he  
realized almost instantly that he  
had wasted his only sure quick  
entry to the dummy. He could  
find no way to finesse the trumps,  
so had to lose a trick in spades  
plus one each in the minors to  
barely make his contract.

Here is the tragedy of it—the  
other 3-Spades declarer made an  
extra trick by finessing trumps.  
If East had done likewise, he  
would have scored a half of a  
match point on the deal for trying  
the other chap. Instead he got  
a clear bottom, no match points.  
That may seem unimportant, but  
this poor chap happened to lose  
victory in the tournament by a  
margin of exactly one-half of a  
match point.

## Your Week-end Question

If ordinarily sound opponents  
reach a contract of 3-No Trumps,  
how can you estimate the approx-  
imate strength of your partner's  
hand?

## A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



## Across

3 Blackies  
7 Subject  
8 Repetition  
9 Ocean  
10 Eggs on  
12 Flavour  
15 Clarity  
19 Surpass  
19 Skilled

21 Wrong  
22 Movement  
23 Bird  
24 Dangle  
25 Control  
30 Reproduc-  
tion  
31 Stupid  
32 Deserve  
33 Beans

## Down

1 Jump  
2 Separates  
4 Into parts  
5 Social  
6 Inclination  
8 Avoid  
9 Fitting  
11 Rubbish  
12 Arrive  
14 Means of  
entrance  
or exit

## Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS: 1. Fracas, 7. Edit, 8. Tiger, 10. Comic, 11. Ever, 13. Re-  
fractory, 15. Drag, 19. Dispossess,  
22. Room, 24. Green, 25. Angle, 26.  
Glen, 27. Art, 28. Bitter, 30. Quilt,  
31. Stamp, 32. Taser, 33. Opera.

DOWN: 2. Secure, 3. Hatched, 4. Dice,  
5. Dived, 11. Rumba, 12. Abuse, 13.  
Refined, 17. Actor, 18. Special,  
20. Stamp, 21. Taser, 22. Opera.



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# IMPORTANT MOVES BY BRITAIN IN THE MIDDLE EAST

London, April 27.

Britain today recognised King Abdullah's decree doubling the size of his Jordan Kingdom by annexing a large area of Palestine held by the Arab Legion since the war with Israel. Simultaneously, Britain gave its final blessing to the young Israel State by raising her recognition from the year-old "de facto" to full "de jure" approval.

But in making these decisions, which were announced in the House of Commons, Britain laid down important conditions.

She reserved her views on the permanent frontiers of Israel and her Arab neighbours until they reach a final peace settlement, and her recognition of Jordan's annexation of Eastern Palestine carried no decision about the future of Jerusalem.

Today's decision brings Jordan's new territory under the protective "wing" that Britain had provided in the Anglo-Jordan Treaty of Alliance in 1948.

But the Minister of State, Mr. Kenneth Younger, said in the House of Commons today that Britain had no intention of setting up military bases in peacetime in the annexed territory.

The annexation of land East of the river Jordan was proclaimed by King Abdullah on Monday in defiance of the six other States of the Arab League. It makes him one of the most powerful personalities in the Middle East.

About Jerusalem, Britain went no further today than to accord "de facto" recognition to Israel and Jordan authority in the areas they controlled.

### UK obligations

Until there is a final settlement on the future of that part of the city which the United Nations decided should be internationalised, Britain is unable to recognise Jordan's sovereignty over any part of it, Mr. Younger said.

Here again he left no doubt that Britain's obligations under her Alliance with Jordan extend to the part of Jerusalem she holds—the Old City.

Britain's decisions were communicated to Israel and Jordan shortly before the House of Commons announcement. The six other Arab League Governments were also informed beforehand.

Members of the British Commonwealth had been consulted. The United States, France and Turkey, as members of the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission, were also kept informed. One main and continuing aim of British foreign policy is the stability and prosperity of the Middle East and the establishment of peace between Israel and the Arab nations, a Foreign Office spokesman said today.

He hoped that today's decisions would contribute to its achievement.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, approved in principle the union of Jordan with Arab Palestine in a foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons last May.

### Can be solved

Mr. Younger, in his announcement to Parliament today, said: "In announcing these two acts of

recognition, His Majesty's Government wish to reaffirm their conviction that the problem of Palestine is capable of solution by peaceful means given goodwill and understanding on the part of all parties concerned.

"It is their earnest hope that the steps they have now taken will help to create stability in the area concerned and make a contribution to the peace of the Middle East as a whole."

Mr. Winston Churchill, the Conservative Opposition leader, said amid cheers that Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of Israel, and King Abdullah of Jordan had both over the vicissitudes of the past 20 or 30 years shown themselves always staunch friends of Britain.

He urged the Minister to avail himself to the fullest of any possible opportunity of bringing these two eminent men into the closest and most harmonious contacts.

Mr. Churchill asked if he was quite right in assuming that this was the general path on which the Government was embarking.

Mr. Younger: "Yes, sir. And it is a great pleasure for me to associate myself with the remarks Mr. Churchill has made about the two gentlemen concerned."

### Helping toward agreement

Mr. Somerset de Chair, Conservative, urged the Government to call a conference of all Middle Eastern countries involved in an attempt to get a determined settlement of the outstanding problems such as the future of Jerusalem, the closing of the Canal and the pipe-line, as no two of these Middle East countries seemed to be agreed.

"I think this would be an important contribution to the solidarity of the area, which is essential to prevent the spread of Communism," he added.

Mr. Younger replied: "We hope that the action we are announcing today will help in reaching an agreement between these countries over the many problems which face them. But I do not think I can commit myself to the idea of a conference as necessarily the best way to settle differences."

Mr. Churchill asked if the Minister and the Government would reconsider the decision to

sell 110 jet aeroplanes to the Egyptian Government.

Mr. Younger replied that Mr. Churchill would appreciate that the whole question of the supply of arms to the Middle East was under constant consideration, under constant review, and at this moment, add anything to the statement he had just made.

Mr. Churchill suggested that he should bring it to the notice of the Prime Minister.

He also asked Mr. Younger to consult the Prime Minister on the continuous stoppage of tankers passing through the Canal Zone which is hampering Britain's efforts to get the Haifa Refinery into operation.

Mr. Younger replied that these and other important matters are being actively considered by the Government.

### Positive steps

Mr. Sidney Silverman, a Jewish Labour Member, congratulated the Government on the positive and constructive steps forward it had taken. He urged that the whole question of supplies of arms to the surrounding Arab States should be reconsidered—indeed suspended—until such time as they were prepared to negotiate treaties of peace with Israel.

Mr. Younger: "I take note of that, but I do not think any comment of mine is called for."

Lord Winterston, Conservative, said some Members who had had very intimate connections with the Middle East believed that Israel and Jordan were by far the most stable States in the Middle East.

First things should come first, he said. A treaty between them should be the Government's object as far as possible, he said.

Mr. Younger commented that the British Government wished to see agreement between Israel and all the neighbouring States.

Major Edward Legge-Bourke, Conservative, said that speaking strictly for himself he considered the de jure recognition of Israel to be the most hideous betrayal of all those men who fought in Palestine.

### Arab, Jewish reaction

In Cairo, the Arab League today called an extraordinary session of its Political Committee

## Abdullah's move backed in Cairo

Cairo, April 27.  
The veteran statesman, Izzat Sidki Pasha, today became the first Egyptian openly to support King Abdullah's act incorporating East Palestine into the Kingdom of Jordan, when he said here: "I believe the move is in accordance with the wishes of the East Palestine people."

He added: "These people took part in the recent elections, and now share in the conduct of affairs in an enlarged Jordan State."

Sidki Pasha also favoured a Jordan-Syria-Iraq union.

"The presence of a strong Arab country in the North and another (Egypt) in the South will deter Israel from further expansion," he declared.

Asked whether Jordan sought a preliminary peace with Israel, Sidki Pasha said: "Peace with Israel would contribute towards political stability in the Middle East, and as such should be welcomed."—Reuter.

for May 2 in Cairo to decide on measures in connection with Jordan's annexation of Arab Palestine.

Arab circles in Cairo expect Jordan to attend the session in an attempt to convince other Arab States that the annexation was rightful.

Egypt, Iraq, Syria, the Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Yemen have opposed the annexation, threatening measures which may include Jordan's expulsion from the League and diplomatic and economic sanctions.

In Tel Aviv, the government of Israel declared tonight that Britain's application of the terms of the Anglo-Transjordan treaty to areas West of the Jordan annexed by Hashemite Jordan is perplexing.

Simultaneously, Israel reiterated concern over British arms shipments to Arab States and said these do not contribute to the stability of peace in the Middle East.

The Government statement said Israel reserved its future course of action in view of Britain's application of the treaty with Jordan to annexed areas.

Reuter, and Associated Press.

## CRISIS FEARED IN SYRIA

Damascus, April 27.  
Abraham Hdrani, Minister of National Defence and a prominent figure in the Syrian Cabinet, resigned following a strong debate in the Cabinet last night. A Ministerial crisis is expected.

—Reuter.

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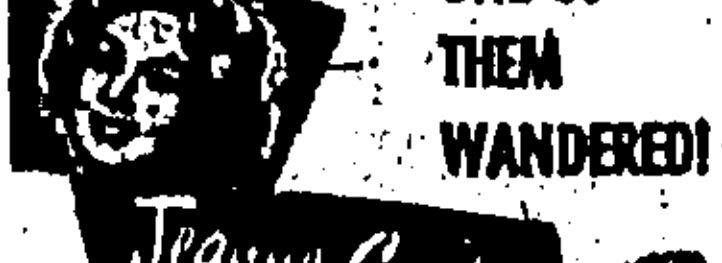
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# EMPIRE STATESMEN TO DISCUSS PEACE TREATY FOR EAST

London, April 27. Arrangements for the organisation of the Commonwealth Working Party on the Far Eastern peace treaty, which opens in London on May 1, are now complete.

The meeting, which is expected to last between two and three weeks, will be held in the Cabinet offices. Either the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, or the Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. Patrick Gordon-Walker, is expected to preside over the opening session. This will be attended by the High Commissioners of Commonwealth countries.

## ALARMING REPORT ON JAPAN

London, April 27.

The Japanese Government intends to expel all foreign interests and restore old totalitarianism in Japan, "The Times" reported from Tokyo today.

Headlined "Resurgence of Japan," the report said that everywhere in Japan there is evidence of keenness to play a leading part in international affairs. "Above all there is growing determination to compete completely unfettered in international markets and to recapture a large portion of world markets," the report said.

In great commercial centres like Tokyo and Osaka, resentment against foreigners, particularly traders, is noticeable.

It said, "Since the Allied Headquarters restored the right of customs inspection there have been instances in which Japanese inspectors search highly respected members of the foreign community."

The Japanese police are also planning to impede the activities of foreigners once the occupation of Japan has ended. It said, "They have already begun to pry into the private lives of foreigners with a view to re-establishing their dossiers."

The report warned that despite the difficulties confronting Japan, many British markets will be Japanese markets before long.

It said, "The manager of a textile plant made it clear that the revival of the Japanese textile industry was just beginning. Industrialists and politicians here frequently speak of surprises that are in store for Lancashire."

At present business is restrained by regulations relating to labour conditions but it is not expected that these will long survive the end of occupation. It said, "It can hardly be doubted that the ultimate aim of the Government is to put an end to foreign activities in Japan preparatory to restoring old totalitarianism."—Reuter.

## GRAZIANI'S FATE KNOWN TODAY

Rome, April 26. Former Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, the last of the leading figures of Mussolini's Fascist Italy, gazed complacently through his monocle today as his Counsel passionately wound up his defence in his eight-months' old trial.

He is charged with collaborating with the Germans and illegally commanding Mussolini's "last gasp" Fascist Army in Northern Italy.

The Defence argued that the Badoglio Government, which superseded Mussolini in Rome, was a revolutionary one which could only be juridically validated by success.

Decrees issued by the Badoglio Government, on which the trial is based, are therefore without juridical value, the Defence claimed. The Defence will close its case tomorrow.

Special police measures will be taken on Saturday, when sentence is expected to be pronounced.—Reuter.

The British delegation to the talks, which are the outcome of a decision taken last January at the Colombo Conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers, will include experts summoned as they are needed from various Government departments.

A Foreign Office spokesman today emphasised that the talks are for the exchange and clarification of views and are not expected to produce a definite Commonwealth draft for a Far Eastern peace treaty.

What is aimed at is understood to be an agreed report for submission to Governments by the respective Commonwealth delegations.

Latest information from Washington suggests that the United States is also not yet at the stage of having a draft peace treaty. It was recalled here that reported differences between the State Department and the Defence Department in Washington last year disappointed expectations that a United States draft might have been available before the Colombo conference as a basis of discussion.

### British views

The British approach to the Far Eastern treaty is based on the belief that the three countries who played a major part in the war against Japan or suffered gravely from Japanese aggression should be given full participation in peace treaty discussions.

In practice, this would amount to the members of the Far East-

ern Commission, of which Burma and Pakistan are now members. The position of Ceylon, Indonesia and Siam is not yet clearly defined.

Britain, a Foreign Office spokesman stated, has no desire for a harsh treaty with Japan and will base her approach on recognition of Japan's need to trade abroad in order to support her population of 80,000,000.

The British view is that the Japanese war potential should be limited on security grounds and that her mercantile marine should be of a nature and tonnage which would not make it possible for her to convert it to war use.

### Reparations

Britain will not demand reparations from (current production but only from the surplus plant which has already been declared superfluous to Japan's peace needs.

It is recalled that in 1947, under an allocation of 30 per cent of this surplus, made by a decision of General Douglas MacArthur, Britain received five per cent on behalf of Malaya and Burma, amounting to a value of 25,000,000 yen. She retained no part of this for herself.

A peace treaty for Japan by this time might be disastrous for United States interests in the Far East. Lieutenant-General Robert L. Eichelberger, former Commander of the United States Eighth Army in Japan, said in a lecture in New York today.

All troops in Japan are now under General Douglas MacArthur but a peace treaty might give the Russians a chance to place troops in the country, he pointed out.

General Eichelberger retired from the Army in August, 1948.—Reuter.

## Hoover's plan for anti-Red line-up

New York, April 27.

Former President Herbert Hoover proposed tonight that the Western nations unite against Russia by closing the doors of the United Nations to Communist countries, or by forming a new United front of all freedom-loving peoples.

Mr. Hoover said the Western nations have been slipping illogical cocktails mixed by ghosts of history long enough. They should form an "Alcoholics anonymous" society with an exclusively non-Communist membership. The West should awaken to the fact that this is not one world.

"The one world idea seems to be lost in the secret files," he said. In an address before the American Newspaper Publishers Association, the former President said the world needs mobilisation of nations which believe in God to fight the Red tide of agnosticism. It needs moral mobilisation against a police State and human slavery.

Hoover said: "The United States needs to know who are with us in the cold war against these practices, and who we can depend on."

Therefore, he said in a nationwide broadcast over the National Broadcasting system, he had a proposal to make. He suggested that the United Nations should be reorganised without Communist nations in it. If that is

impracticable, then a definite new united front be organised of those peoples who disavow Communism, who stand for morals and religion, and who love freedom.

Mr. Hoover said: "This is specifically not a proposed extension of a military alliance or any colour of it. It is a proposal based solely upon moral, spiritual and defence foundations. It is a proposal to redeem the concept of United Nations to the high purpose for which it was created. It is a proposal for moral and spiritual co-operation of God-fearing free nations."—United Press.

## POLES TO LEAVE UN BODY

Washington, April 27. Poland has given notice that it is leaving the 63-nation United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation.

Poland withdrew last month from the International Bank and International Monetary Fund and from United Nations agencies, complaining that they were under American domination.

The withdrawal from FAO will not be effective for a year, the recognised period of notice.—Reuter.

## Dock Board's warning to strikers

London, April 27. The London Dock Board tonight warned 14,422 unofficial strikers that unless they return to work on Monday they will lose the existing right to a guaranteed minimum wage of £4.5s. weekly.

The Board, whose decision is understood to have the Labour Government's approval, controls all London docks workers.

It is a joint body representing both employers and trade unions and charged with administering the dock labour scheme in the interests of all concerned.

Over 6,000 servicemen are already moving cargoes and this number will increase to a total of 22,000 on Saturday, May 6.

The strike began last week over three men expelled from the union for their part in last summer's unofficial dock seepage in support of the Canadian seamen's dispute.—Reuter.

## Chen Yi's picture of Shanghai

San Francisco, April 27.

Commodity prices in Shanghai are stable, the currency is steady, there are abundant supplies of food and coal stocks are flowing in from the interior.

These were some of the things which Shanghai's Mayor, Mr. Chen Yi, told a meeting in the North China city recently, according to Peking Radio tonight.

Mr. Chen said that the changes that had been brought in Shanghai since Mao Tse-tung's forces entered it 10 months ago had not come about by any miracle. They had been achieved because the Central People's Government did not rely on printing banknotes for its expenditure, but depended on genuine revenue, reorganisation of the tax system, centralisation of State finance and the floating of Victory Bonds.

He claimed that the centralisation of finance had the Peking Government immense power to regulate the country. This was so because this step concentrated vast sums of money and decisive supplies in the hands of the State.

The Mayor urged Shanghai industrialists and merchants to overcome all difficulties and to carry on with their business. He forecast that a wide market would open up for them when the liberation of the whole country is complete.

He said that Shanghai is experiencing difficulties such as unemployment and the suspension of work in some factories, but these, he maintained, are difficulties of a temporary nature and would be overcome.—Reuter.

## TORY PROTEST ON FREIGHTS

London, April 27.

Mr. Winston Churchill and other Opposition leaders protested vigorously in the House of Commons today against a Government decision to sanction a £27,000,000 increase in railway freight charges.

Mr. Alfred Barnes, Transport Minister has announced this increase to help meet railway losses which on present charges would amount to about £100,000,000 by the middle of 1952.

He said freight charges were 80 per cent more than the 1936 figure—an increase substantially lower than in other basic industries. Railway costs had gone up by 125 per cent above the pre-war level.

Mr. Churchill complained that this was another form of tax on the people.

He pressed for an early debate and indicated that the Opposition would force the matter to a vote.—Reuter.

## BRITAIN WILL DESTROY REDS IN MALAYA

Rangoon, April 27.

The offensive against Communists who wish to turn Malaya into a "slavish satellite State of Russia" will be maintained until they are utterly destroyed, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General for South East Asia, said here today.

He told the Burma Journalists' Association that he had conveyed the British Government's congratulations to the Burmese Prime Minister, Thakin Nu and his colleagues on the recent progress of their military campaign against insurgent forces.

He hoped that the Burma Government's magnanimous policy of amnesty and conciliation towards the insurgent elements might soon restore to Burma the blessing of democratic peace and the work of rehabilitation and development could proceed among them unhampered.

Mr. MacDonald said that Burma's rice exports could fully up to expectations in 1949—in spite of every difficulty and what vital quantities might be shipped in 1950 to feed surrounding populations.

Mr. MacDonald said that he and the British Ambassador, Mr. R. J. Bowker, discussed these and other questions of common concern with Thakin Nu.

Mr. MacDonald said that Malaya and Singapore had concluded negotiations for the purchase of 40,000 tons of Burmese rice which was already being shipped.

### Self-government

Mr. MacDonald declared that it was the Government's policy in Malaya to move steadily towards self-government so that the political aspirations of the people could be satisfied by progressive stages.

The struggle between the Western Democratic powers and the Russian Communist State and its satellites was not standing in the way of the national freedom of the peoples of Asia or of the smaller countries of Asia and elsewhere.

It had not prevented Great Britain from granting independence to Burma, India, Pakistan and Ceylon, Mr. MacDonald added.

Communist penetration of South East Asia countries, such as Burma, Siam, Indo-China and Malaya, was not inevitable, and could be prevented if a handful of Communist elements was not allowed to impose a puppet majority on the population in those countries.

### Indo-China

On Indo-China, Mr. MacDonald said that the French Government had handed over to ex-Emperor Bao Dai control of those national affairs which were domestic to Vietnam alone.

As soon as agreement was reached at the Inter-State Conference in May, complete control of all national affairs, with the exception of minor temporary reservations, might be given to Bao Dai.

Mr. MacDonald considered the forthcoming Commonwealth Conference at Sydney as extremely important in regard to South East Asia affairs because it would result in the establishment of political co-operation of all nations which were interested in helping to maintain the democratic cause in South East Asia.—Reuter.

## SHANGHAI-MOSCOW TELE-PHOTO

San Francisco, April 27. Tele-photographs served between Shanghai and Moscow were inaugurated on April 25, when a picture showing Mao Tse-tung delivering a speech in the Russian capital was received in Shanghai from Moscow, according to the Peking Radio.—United Press.

## Transvaal ready for trouble

Johannesburg, April 27.

Troops and police stood by in light tanks and armoured cars today to enforce a Government ban on May Day gatherings and demonstrations in the Transvaal.

Mr. Charles Swart, Minister of Justice, announced in Capetown that big anti-Government demonstrations, said to have been organised by Communists, were planned in the Witwatersrand area of Transvaal, where Pretoria and Johannesburg lie, for May 1.

Earlier this week, Colonel J. P. Coetzee, Deputy Commissioner of Police in the Witwatersrand, threatened to meet force by force if necessary on Monday.

A special police Hot squad armed with Bren and Tommy guns is available and light tanks, armoured cars and troop carriers have been assembled at strategic points in the area.

Troops are ready to help if needed, he added.

Mr. Swart told the House of Assembly he would invoke the Riotous Assemblies Act to prevent May Day disturbances. He said the Communist Party was behind the whole planned demonstrations.

Mr. G. J. Sutter, Chief Whip for General Jan Smuts, the Opposition United Party leader, said it appeared that the Minister of Justice had information that the Communist Party had been taken in the Witwatersrand.

"We think prevention is better than cure and we have no disagreement with the action the Government has taken," he added.—Reuter.

## DUTCH SWING TO THE RIGHT

Amsterdam, April 27.

Holland swung slightly to the right, and the Communists lost almost half their seats in the provincial legislatures, in Wednesday's elections.

The final returns showed that the Government had won a vote of confidence in the elections, which are considered the first test since the Labour-Catholic-Liberal coalition agreed to transfer sovereignty to Indonesia last December.

Middle-road parties, including the Liberal Foreign Minister, Dirk Sijthoff's Party for Freedom and Democracy, strengthened their position, and the Communists, although they posed as the party for peace and bread, lost 31 of the 58 seats they had occupied in Holland's 11 provincial councils since 1946.

Nearly 5,000,000 Dutch men and women voted, although temperatures were at freezing point, and rain and sleet fell in many sections. Dutch men and women older than 23, are compelled by law to vote.—United Press.

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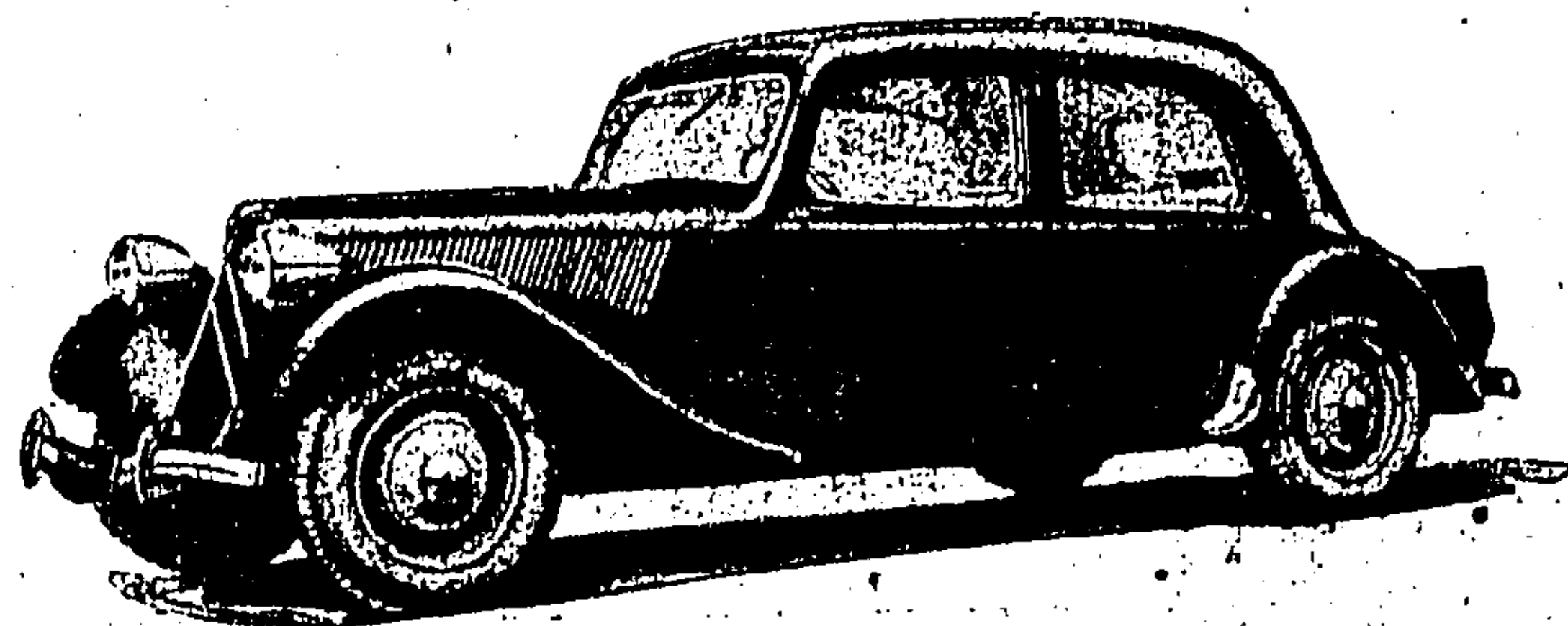


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# MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

## Road accidents in Britain

During 1949, 176,779 persons were killed or injured in 146,736 road accidents in Great Britain. This was the highest total of road casualties for any year since the war, and was 23,382, or 15 per cent, more than for 1948.

The deaths numbered 4,773, an increase of 260 compared with the previous year, though less than for any other year since the war. The seriously injured totalled 43,410, an increase of 10,434 over the 1948 figure.

In 1948 the road accident position improved, but this was not maintained in 1949, when nearly 300,000 additional vehicles were licensed and more petrol was available. The last feature of the 1949 records is a reduction in the number of child deaths, the figure being 965.

Following are the figures of casualties for 1938 and recent years:—

	Deaths	Seriously Injured	Slightly Injured
1938	6,648	50,915	176,878
1945	6,256	42,537	100,556
1946	5,952	36,598	120,896
1947	4,881	35,027	125,721
1948	4,513	33,067	115,817
1949	4,773	43,410	128,598

Road casualties during December totalled 16,513, including 537 killed and 4,200 seriously injured. Compared with December, 1948, there was an increase of 399 in the total casualties and of 587 in the seriously injured, the latter being the highest for December since 1941.

As in 1948, December was the worst month of the year for road deaths, although the total of 537 was 10 less than that for the corresponding month of 1948. Child deaths numbered 56, and were 14 fewer than in December, 1948.

December 23 and Christmas Eve took a heavy toll on the roads with 1,570 casualties, including 36 killed and 421 seriously injured.

Four pedestrian crossings in London are being used for experiments to find out whether the lighting of crossings leads to improved behaviour on the part of both the pedestrians and motorists.

At all four sites, the surface of the crossings has been marked with the black and white "zebra" stripes, now being developed as a result of experimental work at the Road Research Laboratory.

### Floodlit

At two of the sites the crossings have been specially floodlit. One of these is at the junction of City Road and Morland Street, Finsbury, and the other is at the junction of Holloway Road and Fairbridge Road, Islington.

At the other two sites the orange globes of the Bellis Beacons have been lighted internally with 50-watt lamps; a window of clear glass in the globe is designed to throw some of the light down onto the crossings.

One of these is outside Kentish Town Underground Station in Kentish Town Road, Borough of St. Pancras, and the other is at the junction of Archway Road and Cusston Road, Hornsey. These four sites have been chosen as representing a range of street lighting conditions.

The experiments have been put in hand with the assistance of the borough councils. They are part of a general investigation by the Road Research Laboratory, D.S.I.R., and the Ministry of Transport, to find out whether road accidents can be reduced by making crossings more conspicuous.

The behaviour of road users, both motorists and pedestrians, was observed before the installation of the lighting and is now being observed with the lighting in use. Preliminary results show an improved standard of behaviour.

## New record for Austin

New York, April 27. A standard Austin car established 18 new records in the first 370 miles of a 24-hour test at Suffolk County Airport track, 100 miles from New York, today.

With six hours elapsed, the Austin averaged between 60 and 67 miles per hour.

Dave Gundry, the official American Automobile Association representative, announced this, adding that there are no existing American stock car records for this class of car, an A-40 Austin. The car began a 24-hour speed run at 6.20 a.m. with Alan Hess driving, taking turns with Colonel Goldie Gardner.

The AAA, which is officially timing the test, said that the drivers were holding up well and making excellent time, considering the stiff wind blowing across the eight-cornered track, which is 200 yards short of three miles.

After the first two hours, Hess drove into the pits and while the car was being refuelled and having a tyre changed, Hess said that the Austin sometimes exceeded 75 mph on the straight. The tyres were wearing badly, he said then, and two were changed in the first few hours.—Associated Press.

## New Italian cars

The latest F.I.A.T. Type 101 displays great diversity in the characteristics of the engines in the two experimental models which are at the moment being studied.

One has a very short stroke, almost less than the bore, while the other is completely the opposite, with a stroke of 115 mm. for a bore of 62 mm.

Before May 4, when the Turin Show opens, the company will decide which version will be proceeded with. In both cases the capacity of the engine is about 1,400 c.c. with four cylinders with valves in the head of classic type.

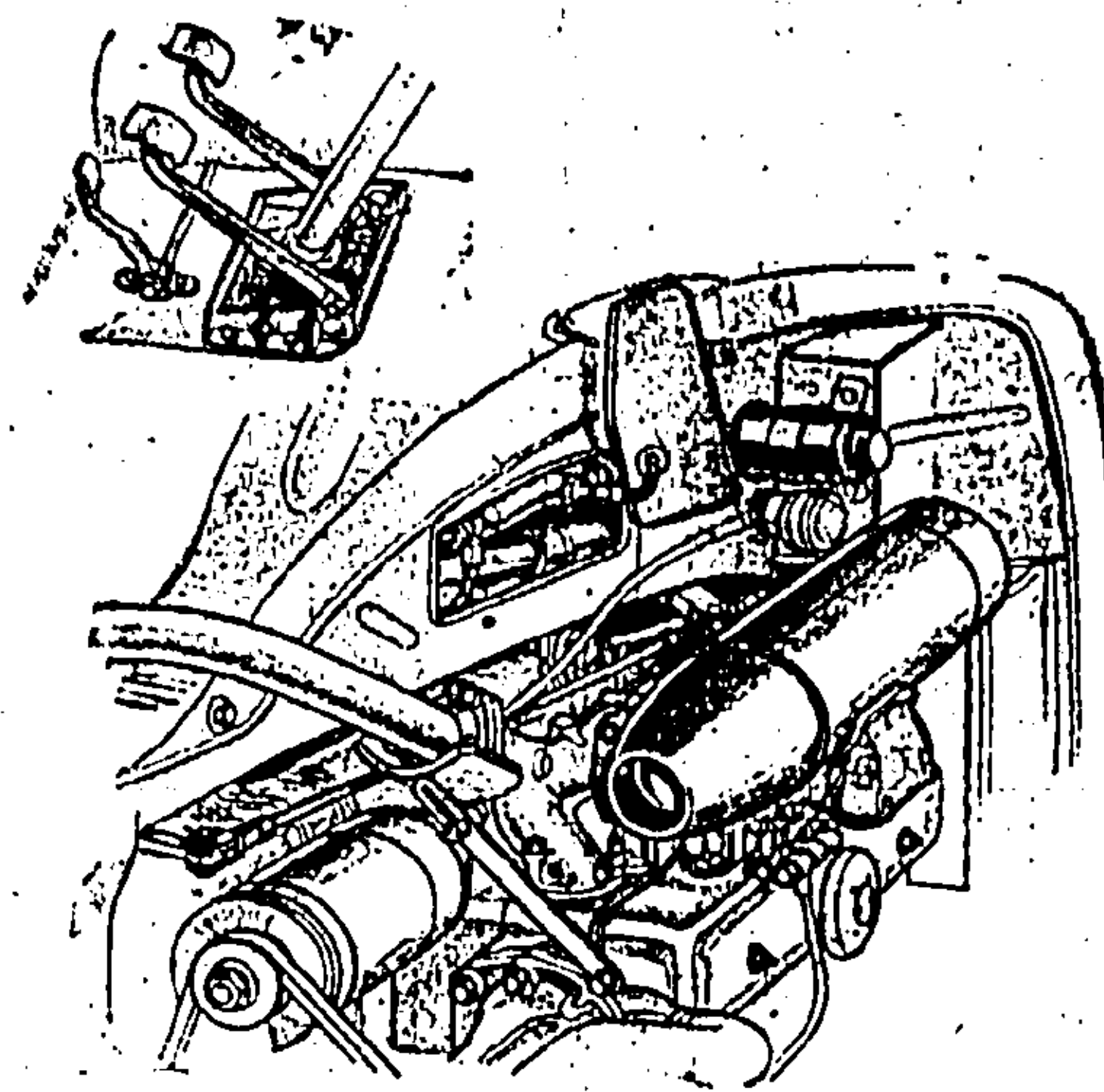
Both engines develop circa 50 h.p., which gives the car the maximum speed of about 70 m.p.h., at which speed it maintains a large margin of stability.

The gear-change lever will be on the steering column and all gear ratios are synchronised and silent. The chassis is made of welded tubes, with independent suspension and the rear springing is with torsion bars. The complete weight is 1,377 lbs. and the fuel consumption should be about 25 m.p.g. Production will continue with both the Type 500 C and the 1100 E.

Another novelty is the new Lancia "Aurelia" which is a completely redesigned car and has a six-cylinder engine on the classic Lancia line of narrow-angle Vee with a capacity of 1,780 c.c. and an output of 65 h.p.

One must not forget the new Alfa Romeo which comes from the energetic hands of engineer Alessio.

The first new Alfa is a four-cylinder of 78 by 105 mm., giving a cubic capacity of 2,000 c.c. with a power of 75 h.p. The estimated 2,000 c.c. is a modification from "Auto Italiana".



Latest modifications to the Citroen Light Fifteen as assembled in Britain include longer pedal arms with a higher pivot point giving a more normal pedal travel. The brake cylinder is moved to a more accessible position inside the main structure and the clutch is now operated by rod instead of cable. The new Vokes air cleaner and silencer is shown.

## British Citroens

The Citroen Light Fifteen, assembled at the British factory at Slough, has undergone no fundamental change in mechanical specification or external appearance since the design left the drawing board 17 years ago, yet the car is still eagerly bought by discerning drivers in many different countries.

Last year it has proved capable of making best performance in the Alpine Trial and winning the most important team prizes in the Alpine Trial and the International Evian Alpine Rally.

A different kind of tribute to its ubiquity, performance and nimble behaviour has recently been paid by the most expert Continental jewel thieves, whose devotion to the Light Fifteen has gained them the name of "Traction-Avant Bandits."

After 17 years it is right up-to-date in specification, and in point of numbers sold it is still one of the most popular cars produced in Europe, surely an achievement without parallel in automobile history.

Although the basic design has remained unchanged, there has, of course, been a steady process of improvement and refinement and this has continued during the past year.

### New-type pedal

The latest cars to be assembled, trimmed, equipped and finished in Britain have a new type of pedal for brakes and clutch, with longer arm and higher pivot which gives a more conventional arc of movement and eliminates the need for pressing sharply downwards on the pedals, which was a feature of past Citroens.

This has been combined with a rod instead of a cable to control the clutch, and in redesigning the operating levers it has been possible to give a smoother and more progressive action.

The new brake pedal pivot has made it possible to move the Lockheed master cylinder to a more accessible position.

The clutch itself now has nine springs instead of six and the crown wheel has recently been stiffened.

The engine has a new Vokes air cleaner and silencer which gives better accessibility for minor engine adjustments and appreciably reduces noise from the carburettor intake. It has a felt filter element which is easily removable for cleaning.

The cars finished in Britain are, of course, equipped with a British 12-volt electrical system and the latest models have a cable rack screenwiper. A hardened drive dog is now used on the distributor.

The six-cylinder follows the same general layout as the Light Fifteen with an integral body-chassis structure, front-wheel drive, independent front suspension by torsion bars, and a dead trailing axle with torsion bar springing at the rear.

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## Browder refutes accusations by Mr. McCarthy

Washington, April 27.

Earl Browder, deposed leader of the American Communists, swore under oath today that he knows of no Communists in the State Department.

He also branded as false, ex-Communist Louis Budenz, sworn testimony that he (Browder) had officially described Owen Lattimore as a Communist.

He then invited possible contempt action when he flatly refused to tell Senate investigators who, besides himself and a Chinese, Red leader, was present at a meeting before the formation of the United Nations at San Francisco.

Mr. Browder testified before the Senate Foreign Relations sub-committee investigating charges made by Senator Joseph McCarthy. He became defiant when Senator Bourke Hickenlooper asked who was present at a meeting with him and a Chinese Communist leader before the United Nations was formed.

"I do not remember, and if I did I would not give you that information," he said.

Senator Hickenlooper promptly noted for the record that all five members of the sub-committee were present to hear Mr. Browder's testimony. This usually is the Congressional prelude to a contempt citation, which could possibly result in a jail sentence and fine.

When the witness said he could not be forced to answer, Senator Hickenlooper said, "That determination will be made by the Committee."

"Possibly," shrugged Mr. Browder. Then, raising his voice—for which he later apologized—he added, "I just wanted to make it clear that I am not going to be intimidated by any person."

Senator Hickenlooper then asked the witness whether the meeting in question was attended by the career diplomat, John Service, who has been accused by Senator McCarthy of being a poor security risk.

After saying he would not answer the question of who was or was not at the meeting, witness remarked, "Now we have the question in a general form. Ordinarily I would have no hesitancy in answering such a question, except that experience has taught me that once I start answering such questions I am embarked on a fishing expedition."

Mr. Budenz issued a statement in New York saying it was no surprise to him that Browder had told investigators his (Budenz) testimony was false.

"Up to a few months ago Mr. Browder was an open, registered Soviet agent," he said. "I had no illusions but that he would be a reluctant witness. What I had hoped and still hope is that questioning will elicit from him the story of the Communist cell in the Institute of Pacific Relations."

### China policy

Mr. Browder was questioned about Mr. Budenz' statement that Mr. Browder had praised Mr. Lattimore's contribution to selling the Party line on China in 1937—that the Chinese Communists were agrarian reformers. Mr. Browder said this was not so. At that time, he said, the Communists were maintaining that the Chinese Communists were leading the military struggle in China against Japan.

"Unity in China was the key word," he said, but added that

the Chinese Communists actually did represent fundamental agrarian reforms. However, he insisted that in 1937 the Party line was one of unity with Chiang Kai-shek and it stressed the military power of the Communists who were doing the fighting against the Japanese.

Mr. Browder referred to Mr. Budenz as a former Party functionary whose chief responsibility was to pursue Communist work among Catholics, in which he is considered an expert. He could state without the slightest hesitation that he did not know the State Department aide, Halldore Hanson, or the former United Nations official, Dorothy Kenyon, either as members or friends of the Communist Party. John Service and John Carter Vincent, U.S. Minister to Switzerland, had never had any connection, direct or indirect, with the Communist Party.

He had never met Alger Hiss, former State Department official who was convicted of lying for saying he had never turned top secret documents over to a Communist ring for transmission to Russia. Mr. Browder added that he had never met Hiss' accuser, Whittaker Chambers, but knew that Chambers had been a Communist.

He refused to answer questions about whether he knew Elizabeth Bentley, John Abt, Nathan Witt, Jacob Golos, Ludwig Uhlman and Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, all of whom have figured either as witnesses or as the target of charges in recent Communist investigations.

### In touch with Mao

Under questioning, witness also said that any wartime change in the policy of the United States Government toward China and the Chinese Communists was not dictated by the American Communist Party but by the necessities of global war.

The Committee counsel, Edward Morgan, asked witness if he had communicated with Chinese Communist leaders during the war. Witness replied that he had communicated with Mao Tse-tung to inform the President of the United States about the military situation inside China. He had reported to the late President Roosevelt that Chiang Kai-shek had diverted 1,000,000 Nationalist troops from the Japanese front to blockade the Communist area. This resulted, he added, in releasing 1,000,000 Japanese soldiers for war on other fronts.

It was at his meeting with the then Under-Secretary of State, Sumner Welles, in the State Department in 1942 that he received information of the change in United States Government policy toward China. He had promptly cabled that information to Madame Chiang Kai-shek in Chungking.

Earlier, Mr. Morgan had pressed Mr. Browder as to whether the Institute of Pacific Relations was an organization used to project the Communist view toward China. Witness said the organization had nothing to do with it. He admitted receiving letters during the war from Mao and said he passed the information they contained about the war along to President Roosevelt and had been informed that information was confirmed by the American High Command.

"I assume that this information played a decisive role in reforming the American position in China," he added.

Senator Joseph McCarthy told the Senate today that the State Department aide, Halldore Hanson, was named by Louis Budenz on Tuesday as an active member of the Communist Party.

Senator McCarthy said Mr. Budenz so identified Mr. Hanson

## DON IDDON'S DIARY

### The town of anxious dread

When I registered at the Carlton Hotel the elegant Englishman behind the desk said: "Are you going to write Washington up?" I said "Yes." That was before I had looked around.

I regret that I have to write Washington DOWN. If Hollywood is the city of dreadful anxiety, then Washington is the town of anxious dread.

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### Sensation every day

Both are over-populated with pretty girls and unformed flunkies, overlaid with drug-stores, sandwich counters, traffic signals, and traps for tourists, and overhung with too many parties.

You could swap all the characters in Washington for all the characters in Hollywood and no one would notice the difference.

There are the stars or Senators, before the cameras; the supporting players, or Congressmen, backstage; the Kilg lights; the fans, the reporters, and the gossip-writers.

And there is a sensation every day. Currently the Kansas City shootings are making everyone breathless.

Last week the featured attraction was "Spies in the State Department." Senator Joseph McCarthy got top billing. This week the box-office smash-hit is "These Guns for Hire."

There is no particular star in this underworld feature—only a group of talented gangster types who try to be politicians.

I think this masterpiece about mobsters will have a long run.

### Honest views

The honest and decent people here, who, of course, comprise about 99.9 per cent. of the population, are getting rather tired of all the sensation.

Several have said to me: "The shootings in Kansas City are a national scandal, but don't make it an international one." And "This Red hunt is rubbish—no

one takes the charges seriously." Even the Daily News, not the most sensitive or scrupulous newspaper, says editorially:

"What with our State Department accused of harbouring Communists and queers, and the Truman crowd now bespattered with Blingello's and Gargotta's gore, so to speak, the United States, and particularly the politicians in power at Washington, must look just dandy to the rest of the world."

Well, they said it, I didn't.

What is happening is that the enemies of the President and of the Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, are doing everything to smear the present Administration.

### Clean-up needed

There is no doubt that Washington needs a clean-up. The White House is being renovated, and Blair House, another official residence, is being repainted, but the spring-cleaning should be extended.

On the surface the capital looks resplendent. There are the spacious avenues, the magnificent Government buildings, the glossy hotels—but the opulence and beauty are skin-deep.

Washington is a city of dreadful slums. The Negro lives in squalor within sight of the Capitol dome. And Washington has the largest per capita Negro population of any city in the United States. Thirty per cent. of this town of 1,500,000 population are coloured.

They are condemned to filthy shacks. They are effectively segregated, kept out, and kept down.

No one, not even the global planners, knows what to do about them. The subject is not welcomed as a teacup or cocktail party topic.

When in the National Press Club—perhaps the best newspaperman's club in the world—I asked John O'Donnell, the ferocious and sometimes Anglophobic columnist of the New York Daily News, why no one in Washington had the right to vote, he changed the subject to Sir Basil Brooke and the partition of Ireland.

The reason, of course, why residents of Washington, the capital

of world democracy, the hope and inspiration of the free world, have no vote is because there are "too many Negroes here." The coloured vote might control the city.

So no one votes—not the taxpayers, not the political pundits who tell everyone else how to vote, not a householder, ever go near a ballot-box.

District Commissioners run the city, and not too well.

The anomalies of the city have a lighter side. There are so many Government girl workers that the town teems with pretty women, outnumbering the men by two to one.

And, in order to keep drinking down, there are no stand-up bars in the city (except in the National Press Club). Only cocktail lounges are allowed.

The result has been that four times as much alcohol is consumed in Washington as in the average American city.

Another result has been the non-stop cocktail party which flourishes here from dusk until dawn. Hostesses fight like tigers to catch social lions.

All this lubrication is probably responsible for the extraordinary whispering campaigns which sweep the city regularly. Everyone has his ear cocked in the capital.

Everyone is on the inside, owns a personal pipeline, knows where the body is buried. The gossip is gargantuan.

Whispers are prompted by ambition, rivalry, and sometimes by hatred. They are often highly personalised.

All Government departments here use the whisper and use it regularly. If you are deaf you do not thrive in Washington. The British, being quick-eared and tight-lipped usually get along well.

At the moment we are being given soothing syrup. A few days ago we were being told who should be our War Minister, when and why the partition of Ireland should end, what to do with Marshall Plan money if we got it and how to behave.

It was asked: Who did we think we were—a Sovereign State, an Independent Nation, an Ally, or a kept woman?

These police questions have ended. Our friends now realise they went too far.

If we like we can choose our own Ministers as long as we don't tell them anything; we can postpone the Irish decision as long as we finally follow Dublin's advice; and also—we can drink tea, though not too many cups.

This is progress. I tell you the British are doing well here.

Heard about the capital: Among the things most often opened by mistake in Washington is the mouth.

The only place where Truman and Stalin would ever meet would be Last Resort.

There is no show news this week as there are no shows in Washington.

Footnote: The only office most politicians here seem interested in is the box-office.

### UK WORKERS TO VISIT RUSSIA

London, April 27. Two parties of British trade unionists left London by air today to tour Communist countries.

One party of factory workers is to spend a fortnight in Russia at the invitation of Moscow trade unions.

The other, comprising eight trade union officials, is to visit Yugoslavia. —Reuter.

## Chiang looking for air bases in Korea

London, April 27.

Reports from responsible authorities in Tokyo and Taiwan indicate that Chiang Kai-shek is seeking bases in Southern Korea from which to bomb industrial areas in Manchuria.

The reports said that the Chinese Nationalist delegation, including Generals Wu Teh-chen, Chu Shih-ming and Yao Shih-chen, at present in Southern Korea, is seeking permission to establish bases there.

Informed sources here believe it is Chiang's intention to intensify the blockade of the China coast and to further undermine Communist China's economy by bombing Manchuria's power stations.

These reports were received with some apprehension here because it is feared that the move would result in Nationalist China's bombers becoming involved with Russian shipping, and possibly with Russian aircraft, which might provoke incidents leading to outright Russian armed intervention in the Far East.

Some quarters here said it has long been anticipated that Chiang intended in some way to throw down the gauntlet to Russia in order to provoke World War III as the best means of restoring his Nationalist regime to power. These quarters even suggested that Chiang might declare war on Russia if the United States showed signs of recognising Mao Tse-tung's Communist Government. By creating a situation wherein he could accuse Russia of active intervention, he could make a declaration of war, and thereby hope to force the United States to take sides. —United Press.

Reports claim that the Nationalist Chinese mission led by General Yu Teh-chen visited Tokyo, whence they proceeded to Southern Korea on April 19. It is believed they discussed the project of bases in Southern Korea with General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters, from whom, it is presumed, permission would have to be obtained.

In view of Southern Korea's strong advocacy of a Pacific Pact, it is believed here that the Government there would not be averse to making bases available to Nationalist blockade forces.

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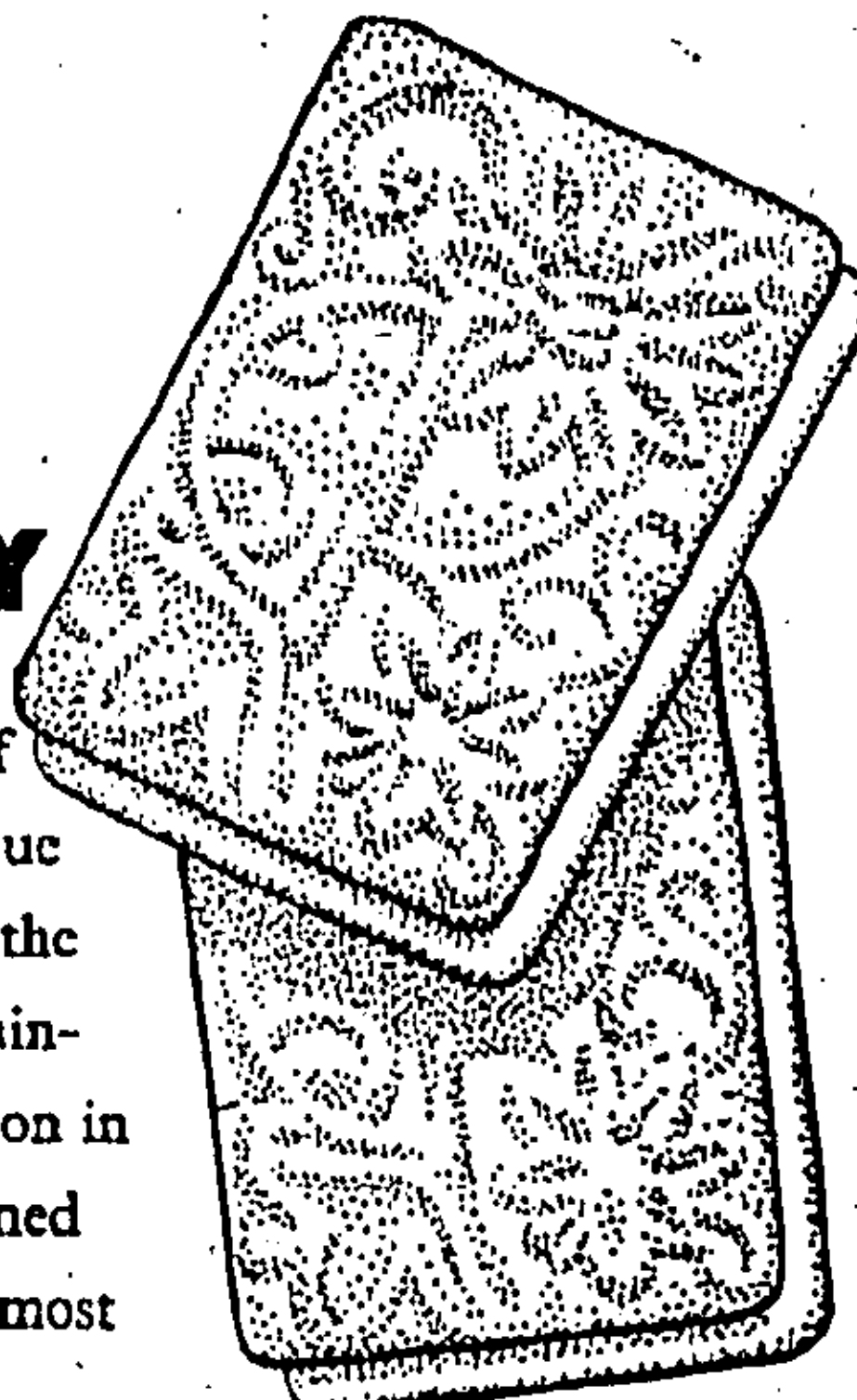
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## Vietnam Premier resigns under French pressure

Saigon, April 27.

Bao Dai, Vietnam Chief of State, yielded to strong French pressure last night and signed a decree accepting the resignation of Nguyen Phan Long, the first appointed Premier of Vietnam. Members of Bao Dai's official delegation here said the Chief of State has designated Tran Van Huu, Governor of Southern Vietnam, as the new Premier.

There had been frequent criticism in Saigon that Nguyen Phan Long, by his failure to follow a strong course, was playing into the hands of the ultra-Nationalists.

French-supported Bao Dai is trying to rally the Indo-Chinese people into a State which will be a part of the French Union. He is being opposed by Moscow-trained Ho Chi-minh, whose rebel government has been recognized by the Soviet Union.

French officials made no secret of the strong pressure France exerted on Bao Dai to dismiss Nguyen Phan Long.

The first break between the Premier and the French came last February when Nguyen Phan Long insisted that American aid should be given directly to the Vietnamese instead of being funneled through France. His independent line of action since then has made him unacceptable to the French.

Vietnamese circles have agreed that the French-sponsored Government has suffered significant loss of prestige in the Cabinet reshuffle. Most Vietnamese who are highly sovereignty conscious are interpreting it as further proof of French control of the three-month-old State—which had nominally been granted internal autonomy.

The Premier-designate, Tran Van Huu, is considered by most Vietnamese as strongly pro-

French. The 54-year-old Cochinchinese land owner holds French citizenship.

**Agreement on U.S. aid**

An agreement on the distribution of American military aid to Indo-China was announced in an interview here today by the French High Commissioner, M. Leon Pignon.

The agreement, he said, had been reached between the French Army and the State of Vietnam, led by Bao Dai, both of which are engaged in a bitter struggle with the Vietminh, the nationalist forces led by Communist-trained Dr. Ho Chi-minh.

The American aid will be allocated through the "Service Francais du Materiel."

M. Pignon said the attachment of United States military observers to French divisions operating against the Vietminh had not been discussed. M. Pignon said the French considered the measures taken by the terrorists in Saigon—the great Southern port and capital of Vietnam—to be satisfactory in a general way, but certain details were needed.

Referring to a recent suggestion by Vietminh, a nationalist coalition group, that the French authorities should withdraw their recognition of ethnological minorities, M. Pignon said: "France has no intention of opposing Vietnam unity and would not precipitate developments respecting the manners and customs of minorities."—Associated Press and Reuters.

## Hush-hush meetings of Western experts

London, April 27.

Diplomats of Britain, France and the United States met twice today to plan next month's highly important "Big Three" conference.

The American delegation, headed by Dr. Philip C. Jessup, U.S. Ambassador-at-large, was the centre of today's activities. The Americans held separate conferences with both the British and French. There was no session of all the three powers at the same time.

Not a single official word has come from these preparatory talks since they opened on Monday. At that time the British Foreign Office and an American Embassy spokesman both made brief statements.

The silence surrounding the meetings has gone so far that an American spokesman even refused to acknowledge that the "Big Three" meeting will be a conference. The official American line was that it is to be just an informal gathering made possible because the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, will be here to attend the Atlantic Pact Council on May 15.

American security included armed Marine guards posted before the American delegation's quarters on the second floor of the American Embassy.

Dr. Jessup, usually accessible to newsmen at the United Nations and on his other diplomatic assignments, has secluded himself this time. He is acting under strict orders from Mr. Acheson.

American efforts to make the conference itself seem unimportant run counter to the impressions distributed from British

quarters. It is freely admitted around the Foreign Office that the conference is probably the most important diplomatic meeting since the war.

Preparations for the "Big Three" meeting are probably being made more thoroughly than for any meeting since the United Nations met in San Francisco near the end of the war to draw up their Charter.

The preparatory talks are to include every major diplomatic problem in the world, every facet of Western unity and defence against Communism.

They are following the same pattern as that laid down for the "Big Three" meetings themselves, both separate meetings of two of the three countries and full meetings among experts of all three nations.

The preparatory conversations will continue throughout next week, then Dr. Jessup will fly to Paris to meet Mr. Acheson, who is to confer with the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, on May 8.

Dr. Jessup will be able to give the Secretary of State a complete report on the course of the discussions here.

After the meeting with M. Schuman, Mr. Acheson comes here for separate talks with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, before all three Ministers join for the policy-making session.

It is understood that official information will be more freely distributed after the "Big Three" begin meeting.—Associated Press.

## Turks reject proposal for Dardanelles

Washington, April 27.

Ambassador Faridun Erkin said today that Turkey has rejected finally and conclusively Moscow proposals for joint Russian-Turkish control of the Dardanelles.

Mr. Erkin told reporters that a 30-minute conference with the Under-Secretary of State, James Webb, touched on that subject but there was no need of discussion.—Associated Press.

## MINE SHARES TO GO TO U.S.

London, April 27.

The United States will get part ownership of the rich Belgian Congo uranium mine which furnishes 90 per cent of the world's uranium under the sale of shares in the Tanganyika Concessions, Ltd., it was announced by the British Government tonight.

The United States has received the entire output of the Belgian Congo uranium mines—about 60,000 tons—since the war.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, told the House of Commons that the Bank of England will sell 1,667,081 ordinary 10-shilling shares in Tanganyika Concessions, Ltd., to an Anglo-Belgian group of investors. The Anglo-Belgian group intends selling about 750,000 shares to an American group of investors.—United Press.

## Anti-KMT move fails by one vote at UN

Lake Success, April 27.

Russia walked out of the United Nations Commission for Conventional Armaments today after failing by a margin of one vote to unseat the Chinese Nationalists.

The 4-3 vote to keep Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalists in their seats was immediately challenged by Russia on the grounds that China had cast a decisive vote in its own favour.

The Soviet walk-out was the 23rd in a row started when Russia left the Security Council last January 13.

It came after the closest vote yet returned on the question of Chinese representation. India and Yugoslavia joined Russia in voting to expel the Nationalists. The United States, France, Cuba and China voted against the Russian motion to eject them. Britain, Norway, Ecuador and Egypt abstained.

The Chief Soviet delegate, Jacob Malik, appeared in person for the latest Soviet walk-out. His performance followed the pattern made familiar by the Russians in the last three months. He declared: "The Soviet delegation considers the maintenance of the Kuomintang group illegal and insists on the removal of its representative from this commission."

He then moved formally to eject the Nationalists. The Chinese delegate, S.S. Hsu, asked the Commission's chairman, Dr. Homero Viteri Lafronte of Ecuador, to declare the motion out of order. Viteri Lafronte said the rules of procedure permitted the Arms Commission to decide on the creden-

tials of its members and submitted the motion which was immediately defeated.

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M. Malik objected on the grounds that the fourth vote in the majority had been cast in favour of itself by China, but he declined to make an issue of it when Viteri Lafronte reminded him of his right to file a formal challenge.

Instead, Malik said, Russia would not recognise as legal any action taken in its absence, gathered up his papers and left.

The U.S. delegate, Frank Nash, denounced the Russian walk-out and suggested that the Commission send to its working committee a General Assembly resolution requesting the Security Council requesting the group to resume its work on plans for world disarmament.

The Commission has before it a French plan for a world census of conventional armament excluding atomic weapons. The group voted unanimously in Russia's absence to send the resolution to the working committee with instructions for that group to report not later than July 13.—United Press.

## U.S. TALKS ON AIR STRATEGY

Camp Mackall, North Carolina, April 27.

General Hoyt Vandenberg, Air Chief of Staff, disclosed today that senior air officers have just completed a review of secret overall air force plans at a two and a half day meeting at Ramey air base, Puerto Rico.

The meeting, which General Vandenberg described as routine, gave the officers an opportunity to discuss the Air Force's strategic situation in the light of the recent cold war developments unfavourable to the U.S.

Air Force officers were brought in from Japan, Alaska, Germany and England as well as the United States. They included Lieutenant-General George Stratemeyer, Commander of the Far East Air Force, Lieutenant-General Nathan Twining, Alaskan Commander-in-Chief, Lieutenant-General John Cannon, Commander of the European Air Force, and Major-General Leon Johnson, Commander of the Third Air Division in England.—United Press.

Washington, April 27.  
The Senate today refused by 42 votes to 35 to bring Franco-Spain into the Marshall Plan.—Associated Press.

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# NATIONALISM MORE ACTIVE IN GERMANY

Frankfurt, April 27.

Nationalist groups in West Germany have become more active since military government ended last Autumn, the U.S. High Commissioner, John McCloy, informed the State Department in a letter made public today. In the letter, dated March 30 and addressed to the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, and the Marshall Plan administrator, Paul Hoffman, with a copy to President Harry Truman, Mr. McCloy said although Nationalism is a force which must be increasingly reckoned with, it is no immediate major threat.

The letter said, "In Western Germany, nationalism and nationalist groups have become more active and more vocal than during the period of complete control by military government."

"This nationalism, while present, and suggesting further problems, does not constitute a major immediate threat in Western Germany today. However, it remains a force which must be reckoned with increasingly as Germany develops an autonomous civic, economic and cultural life."

"Its mere existence, however, points up the necessity of encouraging the growth and strengthening of the democratic forces of Germany and of moving toward the development of internal and international conditions which will prevent the overstimulating of latent nationalist feeling."

Mr. McCloy termed the establishment of the West German Federal Republic only a partial realization of the U.S. political goal of a united Germany, but said it was an important step forward in the achievement of the Joint Allied political objectives in Germany.

### Crucial period

He said, "Germany is a crucial period for Germany, in which we should redouble our efforts to guide German public attitudes in the direction of the free Western world."

"This atmosphere of freedom, in which new attitudes will have full opportunity for development, exists in Western Germany in sharp contrast to the suppression of freedom in the Soviet zone."

The report estimated that 30,000 refugees arrive in West Germany every month, principally from the Soviet zone.

"Because of their plight, the refugees are susceptible to undesirable political influence and the strategies of demagogic leadership," the report said.

It said a united refugee party

## RUSSIAN INDUSTRY CLAIMS

London, April 27.

Radio Moscow said today that the gross output of all Soviet industry was 22 per cent higher in the first quarter of 1950 compared with production figures not revealed.

Some important sectors of Soviet industry failed to reach their quotas under the production plan. These included metallurgical with 99 per cent, coal 99 per cent, oil 94 per cent, agricultural machinery 98 per cent, transport engineering 98 per cent, building materials 98 per cent, paper 88 per cent, meat and dairy 84 per cent, food industry 90 per cent and industrial co-operatives 95 per cent.

Higher production was also reported in steel, pig iron, rolled metal, railway rails, oil, copper, trucks and cars and ball bearings.

The broadcast said that 25 per cent of the goods was sold to the population. Following the price decreases of March 1, it said, March sales jumped 45 per cent over the previous month.

Moscow radio said: "As a result of the reduction of State retail prices and a drop in the prices of collective farm markets and co-operative trade there was a substantial increase in the purchasing power of the ruble, an important rise in real factory wages and peasant income."

The number of workers increased by 2,000,000 during the first quarter of 1950 and productivity was 13 per cent higher than in the comparable period of 1949.—United Press.

## Demand for reopening of London tea mart

London, April 27.

Reopening of the London Tea Market was called for today by the "Financial Times".

The newspaper said in an editorial that the disadvantages of the prolongation of the Anglo-Ceylon tea argument are obvious.

"In the first place there is a danger that the quantity of Ceylon tea that will ultimately be available for purchase by Britain will be so reduced that the maintenance of the British tea ration at its present level will be jeopardised."

## U.S. BUILDING UP A CASE

London, April 27.

American authorities today laid the groundwork for further protests to Russia by concluding that the plane which was seen by the Navy "Privateer", missing with 10 men aboard.

The assembly, identified as of the "Privateer" type on Wednesday night by United States officials in Stockholm, could only have come from the missing "Privateer" plane.

We know of no other Privateers flying in the area at the time, and the wheel is definitely from a Privateer, an American source said.

The statement referred to a punctured and apparently bullet-scattered 325-pound assembly, the first concrete evidence linked directly with the plane that disappeared on April 8 when Russian fighters fired on an American plane.

Three more yellow rubber suits, possibly from the missing plane, have been found on the beaches of the Danish Baltic island of Langeland.

In addition, a small book in English has been washed ashore. One suit with English markings was found on Wednesday morning by a Langeland farmer.

Local police authorities said all four rubber suits seem to be identical. The book, police said, was almost destroyed by water but English words can be clearly read. Police officers who inspected the book believe it was a list of names.

The suits and the book will be sent to the American Embassy in Copenhagen for further examination.

## Rapprochement between Tito and Greece

Athens, April 27.

Greek Government leaders today welcomed Marshal Tito's announcement about the restoration of Yugoslav relations with Greece.

In a joint statement, the Prime Minister, General Nikolaos Plastiras, the Deputy Premier, M. Georges Pandrou, and the Economic Minister, M. Emanuel Tsolouros, said that the announcement had made a most agreeable impression on the Greek Government.

Marshal Tito's announcement was a surprise to Government quarters here. They were not expecting any developments before the return of the Yugoslav Charge d'Affaires, who left yesterday for Belgrade.—Reuter.

## RADIO

Radio Hong Kong broadcasts on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.82 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

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12.15—Morning Prayers, (Studio)

12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary.

12.32—Alfred Campbell and His Orch.—Joseph Schmidt, (Studio)

1.00—"Terry Laidlaw Quartet", (Studio)

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25—Interlude.

1.30—"Helen and Music"—The Queen's Hall Light Orchestra, (ORHS)

2.00—"Force Choice"—Presented by Jeffrey Brooks, (Studio)

2.30—"American Hit Parade"—A Programme of Record Charts, Presented by Linda Carter, (Studio)

4.00—World News, (London Relay)

4.10—"A La Carte"—A Light Variety Programme, (Studio)

4.30—"Have a Go"—A Quiz Programme—Introduced by Wilfred Pickles from the Memorial Hall, Fairfield-on-Swift, London, (BBC)

6.00—"Unit Requests"—Living Color, (Studio)

6.58—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary

6.00—"The Adventures of Richard Hannay"—By John Buchan, No 5 "The Thirtieth Step", (London Relay)

6.30—"It's Swing Time"

7.00—"A Light Spanish Programme."

7.30—"Variety Bandbox"—From the Chamberwell Palace, London, (BBC)

8.00—World News and News Analysis, (London Relay)

8.15—"Saturday Round-Up", (Studio)

8.30—London Studio Melodies—The Macmillan Orchestra, (BBC)

9.00—"From the Editorials", (London Relay)

9.10—Weather Report.

9.15—Sports Results, (Studio)

9.15—"Chaucer's Poem Adapted for Broadcasting by Nevill Coghill, No. 12: 'The Squire's Tale', (BBC)

9.55—Interlude.

10.00—World News and News Analysis, (London Relay)

10.15—Radio News Reel, (London Relay)

10.30—"F. A. Cup Final—Arsenal v Liverpool at Wembley, (London Relay)

12.45—Weather Report.

God Save the King.

Close Down.

## LIE UNDECIDED ON MOSCOW TRIP

Cherbourg, April 27.

Dr. Trygve Lie has not yet made up his mind whether he will go to Moscow.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations continued to England after the liner Queen Mary docked here briefly. He will confer in London with the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin and Sir Gladwyn Jebb, Britain's U. N. delegate.

"It is in Paris where I shall spend May 4 and 5, that I shall decide whether to go to Moscow," Dr. Lie said.

He will visit the Hague on May 6 and later go to Geneva, and will return to the U. N. on May 15 if he does not go to Moscow.—Associated Press.

## EGYPT PROTESTS TO PERSIA

Tehran, April 27.

Egypt has sent a note to Persia protesting against her *de facto* recognition of Israel.

Recognition was negotiated through the United Nations and announced on March 15.—Reuter.

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